







INSTITUTIONALISATION OF NIPN IN UGANDA

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Outline of the presentation

- 1. Institutionalization framework for NIPN in Uganda
- 2. Principals for institutionalization
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- 4. NIPN Project activities and processes on the critical path for institutionalization
- 5. Key Learning Points





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Institutionalization framework for NIPN in Uganda

Institutionalization in our case refers to a set of activities that will make the Uganda NIPN an integral and sustainable part of a formal government system



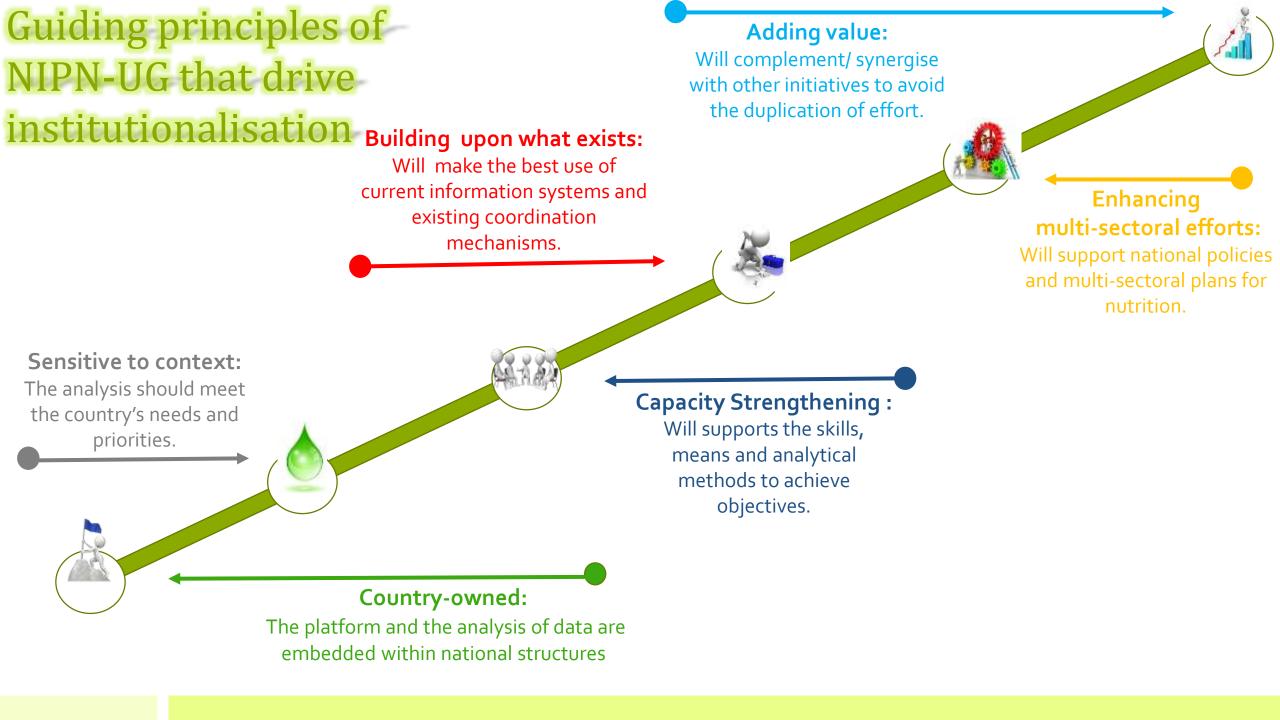




Grounding
NIPN in
existing
institutional
framework

Consistent
engagement,
capacity
building and
communication

Mobilisation of Resources to take on the initiative and sustain



NIPN institutionalization Processes

The convener of all Ministries, agencies and departments of government,

NIPN in Uganda is strategically hosted to foster institutionalization and sustainability i.e. in OPM and UBOS

NIPN project sits and reports to the National Nutrition Multi-sectoral Technical committee, one of the key Nutrition Governance structures in Uganda OPM host the NIPN policy unit, and the Project Implementation Unit

NIPN project is owned and implemented by the Office of the Prime Minister-

Within the SUN secretariat that leads on the Nutrition Policy and UNAP –II implementation



Headed by the Commissioner/ SUN representative and Head of the Department of strategic coordination and Implementation NIPN leadership structures –PMC & PAC have high level representation from the sectors, CSOs, government agencies and departments - are chaired by the NIPN director/ SUN country representative

Institutionalization of the NIPN data analysis unit at UBOS

UBOS has her own analysis unit that works to meet the needs of policy makers UBOS hosts the NIPN Data Analysis Unit within her Analysis unit & is headed by the UBOS Director of Social-Economic Surveys



The NIPN Data Analysis Unit is fully integrated in the UBOS Analysis unit and they function as one, all are on the same payroll and enjoy same benefits

UBOS is the principal agency responsible for collecting, processing, analyzing and disseminating official statistics

Also responsible for coordinating, monitoring and supervising the National Statistical System

Institutionalization of NIPN at UBOS begun with systems integration.....what do we see?

Integration of systems has resulted into...

HR directorate takes lead in the recruitment and all HR related issues the team requires

Involvement of the directorate of IT in the procurement and management of servers and IT related services



Enjoyment of all the benefits that other UBOS staff access without discrimination

The Nutrition
Analysis Unit is an
extension of the
analysis Unit within
the directorate of
Socioeconomic
Surveys at UBOS

NIPN Project activities on the critical path for institutionalization for NIPN in Uganda, and progress made to date

- Review of the current NIPN document to assess what could have been left out and that would compromise its institutionalization
- Review / analysis of the existing policy, legal and institutional framework for nutrition information management systems
- Data source mapping



- Review of existing information management systems to establish the quality of data, utilization, gaps
- Capacity assessment and development of a national capacity building plan for nutrition information management in Uganda

Development of the communication strategy

- Design and implement the NIPN institutionalization plan
- Involvement of the Local governments, build their capacities and establish the nutrition information management infrastructure in local governments
- Establish and facilitate a functional PAC for JIPN with clear ToRs to continue work on policy questions, policy briefs and fact sheets
- Establish a strong data analysis unit at UBOS, that will later be fully integrated into UBOS and the Policy unit at OPM that will later be fully integrated into OPM
- Networking and partnerships with other projects and stakeholders to move the agenda of NIPN e.g. DINU, UNICEF
 - Participation in activities and meetings of the Nutrition Multi-sectoral technical coordination committee



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In a nutshell

Key learning points.....

- An institutionalization strategy for NIPN in each country is needed, that is linked to
 capacity development -identifying capacities in different MDAs, and gaps, and then use the
 existing capacity resources to fill the capacity gaps.
- Approach to support continuous analysis and synthesis of nutrition data and information within sectors (multi-sectoral approach)
- Requires a supportive environment within sectors, agencies and departments of government and other stakeholders
- Having a budgets and resource allocations to guarantee resource availability beyond NIPN project life
- May not necessarily follow a linear process, and may take longer to take longer than the anticipated project life, depending on the capacity needs in the participating sectors.









Thank you for your time and attention.

